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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116

Dear Sir:

This amendment is in response to the Office Action dated November 22, 2002 having a three-month statutory period for response set to expire on February 22, 2003. This amendment is being timely filed with a petition for a two-month extension of time, thereby resulting in a response due date of April 22, 2003. This amendment is being timely filed on or prior to April 22, 2003.

REMARKS

Claims 3 and 5-8 are pending in the present application.

Applicants submit herewith corrected drawings as approved by the Examiner in the Office Action of November 22, 2002.